

REMARKS

Initially, Applicants' attorney notes that, as permitted by revised Rule 1.121, all the claims, including claim 11 to be amended by this Amendment have been presented above..

Applicants have taken note of the rejections of Claims 9 – 13, 16 and 17 for reasons set forth in the Official Action. Because Applicants respectfully disagree with the Examiner's position and are filing a Brief on Appeal setting forth Applicants' position, no argument with respect thereto is presented herewith. Nevertheless, Applicants accept the position of the Examiner with respect to lack of antecedent basis with respect to claim 11 and, in order to reduce the issues on appeal seek to correct that claim with respect to that point. Applicants note the objection to claims 14 and 15 and do not redraft those claims, though allowability is indicated, since it is their position that all of claims 12-17 should be allowable in dependent form and thus wish to maintain this claim structure during the appeal process

No fees are believed to be due in connection with the submission of this Amendment (in addition to the fee for the Petition to Extend the time for filing the Brief on Appeal by one month) However, should there be any fees due, including extension and petition fees, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge them to Deposit Account No. 19-1218.

Respectfully submitted,

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